

STATEHOOD AGAINST TIME

Early Adjournment of Congress May Defeat Measure

EARLY AS MAY FIRST

Opposition Exists to Taking up New Business.

Washington, Feb. 22.—Republican leaders did not respond to the appeal of the statehood promoters yesterday with the kind of pledges that had been hoped for. Mr. Hamilton, chairman of the house committee on territories, talked with many house leaders, but has made no more progress with Speaker Cannon than to secure a promise of consideration under certain conditions. Enough Republicans and Democrats have signified their intention to vote for joint statehood if there were any way to hold congress in session and get a vote. The impatient statehood promoters secured a promise from Hamilton yesterday that the essential provisions of the committee and bills should be made public next week. If the full membership of the committee can agree, the sub-committee will begin work Tuesday.

Statements by numerous leaders in both the senate and house that congress would adjourn by May 1 have aroused a lively interest in the race between adjournment and statehood. Speaker Cannon, who is opposed to any statehood legislation, investigated one dollar yesterday in a pool made up in the house regarding adjournment and dropped a slip of paper in a hat marked May 1. Two of seven slips had dates as early as April 1. At about this time in every session congress there is an adjournment threat. The Republican leaders are bending every energy to prevent the introduction of new legislation and the last sub-committee which must form one of the general appropriation bills practically completed its labors Saturday.

Senator Lodge, when informed of this fact, said at the White House that congress ought to be able to finish its work by April 15. The casual treaty, he said, was practically out of the way and there was no general legislation of consequence to hold congress except the appropriation bills. Senator Dryden and Senator Quayle made similar comments, showing that the influence against statehood expect to defeat it by an early adjournment. This new complication, added to other troubles which have beset Delegate McGuire in Oklahoma, has caused a deep-seated gloom in the Oklahoma contingent. Mr. McGuire is not prepared to go on record as accepting joint statehood. Those who have been working with him, however, believe that he will protest against making a single state of Oklahoma and Indian Territory to the extent of opposing a joint statehood bill which makes provision for an Indian Territory school fund. Mr. Rodney, the New Mexico delegate, said:

"Defers we are beaten this time we propose to do some very plain talking. It is not a question of politics any longer. I know that certain senate influences have reached and agreement that there shall never be more than fifty-four senators. They do not want any more senators from the west if they can help it, and propose to keep the number as low as possible. We propose to take the fight into the next Republican convention, and the west will be strong enough to carry its point."

HITCHCOCK SNUBBED HIM.

President Roosevelt Would Not Receive Mr. Cunningham.

Washington, Feb. 22.—A delegation consisting of Mayor R. M. Turner, D. L. Sleeper and S. M. Cunningham, of Lawton, R. E. Miller of Walter, and Delegate McGuire called on President Roosevelt Saturday to discuss the expenditure of the fund resulting from the sale of town lots in Oklahoma. This fund was to have been used in building bridges and other public improvements in the three new counties, but owing to irregularities in connection with the letting of contracts, Secretary Hitchcock decided to stop the work, and it has not been resumed. Recently Mr. Cunningham, who is county attorney of Comanche county, in a public speech criticized Secretary Hitchcock for his course. When the delegation called on Mr. Hitchcock a few days ago he snubbed Mr. Cunningham. The president, after learning of the business of the delegation, said yesterday:

"I shall have nothing to do with this delegation as long as Mr. Cunningham is a member of it. He made an attack upon the personal integrity of one of my cabinet members while discussing a subject of which he knew practically nothing."

An arrangement was made for another meeting, at which Mr. Cunningham will not be present.

SQUAD OF ATHLETES.

Will Tour the Territory Giving Exhibitions of Their Skill.

Norman, O. T., Feb. 22.—Prof. D. C. Hall, instructor of physical culture at the University of Oklahoma, will make a tour, visiting the principal towns of the territory with his gymnasium squad of athletes, which he has had under special instruction for several months.

The squad will give an exhibition first at Norman, at Oklahoma City and Guthrie immediately after. Prof. Hall has this class well trained and disciplined. They are the pick of the entire school. Both boys and girls compose this squad. The object of these exhibitions is to more thoroughly advertise the school and especially to acquaint the people of the territory with what the school is doing in developing the body as well as the mind of the student. Most of the students now in the school are raw material from the farm, and the skill acquired by them will show what physical training can do. The principal features of these exhibitions are: Dumb bell and Indian club scientific drill; cane brigade; high dive; trapeze work; hand skill from the top of a twenty-foot ladder; human wall higher than the stage; pyramid of bodies five high; cone four high; and all manner of figures built by human bodies.

DRAFT OF A BILL.

Washington, Feb. 22.—Secretary of the Interior Hitchcock sent to the senate today the draft of a bill approved by the Drive commission and said to be necessary for the speedy closing up of affairs of the five civilized tribes in Indian Territory. The proposed bill prescribes rules under which lands shall be allotted or disposed of; for the government of school funds and other matters of business not conducted by the commission.

The Popular Vote of 1904

Is Unanimously in Favor of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets—They Are the Nation's Favorite

GOOD REASONS FOR THEIR POPULARITY

No article on the market, whatever be the purpose for which it was created, can be a phenomenal success and be universally popular unless it possesses great and unfulfilling merit. Inferior and worthless articles may flourish for a limited time if their praises are sung by sufficient clever and catchy advertising; but their days are numbered from the start and their finish is a foregone conclusion. This is an age of the survival of the fittest, and only articles of completely and independently successful of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets from a business standpoint are of unusual and surprising. It is due directly to their unparalleled and phenomenal success in curing the millions of thousands of cases of dyspepsia throughout the English speaking world.

The reason of the wonderful success of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets is so plain and simple that a child can understand. It is this and nothing more: they are natural in their workings and effects. They take up the work of the worn and wasted stomach and do it just as the stomach did when it was well and strong and able. They actually digest the food and do it thoroughly and completely and independently, thus giving the weak and weary stomach an opportunity to renew and regain its former strength.

A St. Louis business man says: "What I ate had to be forced down and most of it soured or lay like lead in my stomach and I was in constant misery. I was in a body and came to be cranky, morose and irritable. My natural disposition, which was cheerful and pleasant, left me and I was causing all my friends. The doctors did me no good. I got so I hated the sight or name of a doctor. My wife finally carried me into buying a box of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, which I began taking under protest, as I had no faith in anything or anybody. I was sore on creation."

"I had not taken a third of that box before I noticed a decided and most welcome change in my health. I was able to eat and feel no bad effects following it. I forgot my stomach and had a chance to think about something else. I went ahead with my business in ease and comfort. Six boxes of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets at a total cost of \$1.80 cured me completely, and I have not suffered a pain since. I have an appetite like a sixteen-year-old boy. I wish everyone who suffers from dyspepsia could know what a change this great remedy has made."

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are for sale by all druggists at 25 cents a box. They are so well known and their popularity is so great that they are almost everywhere being without them. In fact, physicians are prescribing them all over the land, and the best doctor in the land would tell you he will tell you frankly that there is nothing on earth so good for dyspepsia as Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets.

DEFECTIVE DIGESTION Is Responsible for Many Dangerous Diseases—A Vigorous Stomach is the Great Natural Safeguard.

Few people seem to be aware of the dangers of weak, defective and disordered digestion. Health reports do not give it as a cause of death because some other disease gets in to work destructive changes, only making death possible by the imperfect digestion, and the death is credited to them.

Typhoid fever is credited with many deaths, yet were digestion always perfect, typhoid would be a thing of the past. Doctors call typhoid "enteric" because of the bowels. It is due to a germ that in the bowel only is swallowed. It reaches the bowels by the way of the stomach. It cannot live in the secretions of a vigorous stomach. Normal gastric juice would destroy it, and if it did not, it would be weak and inactive disease germs, and would be passing on into the bowels. In the bowels, they would thrive, and we suffer from the diseases which are caused by them. Thus a good digestion is the great safeguard against disease by destroying dangerous germs that in the stomach would enter the body through the bowels.

Consumption is credited with nearly one-third of the deaths of adult persons. No one is made ill by consumption, but the fact that the "chronic starvation" of dyspepsia had so weakened the half-fed, listless and nervous system, that the power of resistance as to the progress of the ravages of consumption. Fevers due to toxines or poisons developed in the body from putrefactive changes in rotting, half-digested food are credited with many deaths. No thought seems to be given to the fact that dyspepsia was the real cause. People do not seem to realize that imperfectly digested food putrefies, decomposes, ferments and develops peculiar poisons that are absorbed into the blood, causing dangerous fevers, poisoning tissues and overtaxing those organs that have to eliminate it. Every organ and tissue of the body depends on the stomach for nourishment and renewal, and that will prepare it to perform satisfactorily its function and resist disease. A strong digestion means good, rich blood; good blood means a strong, well-nourished body, capable of resisting disease.

Dyspepsia or indigestion is a common complaint. There is hardly a disease that is not attended with or complicated by impaired digestion. Dr. Abernethy, a noted English physician, once said: "Nine-tenths of all diseases come from the stomach. There are many cases of ill health of which imperfect digestion is the unsuspicious cause. Often the prominent symptoms of dyspepsia, as gastric ferment, feeling of weight, flatulence, stomachic, digestive disorder or gastro-intestinal trouble, bloating or distention of the stomach, belching of wind, sour or watery risings, vomiting after food, etc., are lacking, but there are other symptoms not usually attributed to dyspepsia. There may be headache, sleeplessness, generally 'played-out' feelings, nervousness and depression, oppression about the heart, loss of flesh, a run-down condition hard to account for, and many vague, ill-defined or obscure symptoms that are really due to defective digestion."

There are many remedies on the market for impaired or defective digestion, but none are so economical, so safe, so effective, so reliable as Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets. Whether the complaint is of long standing or is merely a case of temporary indigestion, this gives prompt and pronounced relief. Their continued use will cure all forms of digestive indigestion.

Dr. promoting perfect digestion Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets produce strong nerves, refreshing sleep, pure blood, sound and healthy flesh; make the skin clear, the eyes bright, the mind cheerful. They give vigor and vitality to tissues and functions that enable them to resist all manner of disease. Germs and microbes swallowed in food and drink are destroyed by the gastric juice and thus many diseases are prevented. No portions of food escape digestion to rot in the lowest below and generate toxines and stimulants that will poison the blood and tissues and menace life.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are easily and cheaply obtained. They are for sale at all drug stores at 25 cents a box. Send to F. A. Stuart Co., Marshall, Mich. for their book on stomach diseases. It is free; a postal card will bring it.

LET YOUR STOMACH HAVE ITS OWN WAY.
Do Not Try to Drive and Force it to Work When It Is Not Able or You Will Suffer All the More.

You cannot treat your stomach as some men treat a bulky horse; force, drive or

even starve it into doing work at which it rebels. The stomach is a patient and faithful servant and will stand much abuse and ill-treatment before it "balks," but when it does you had better stop with it and not attempt to make it work. Some people have the mistaken idea that they can make their stomachs work by starving themselves. They might cure the stomach that way, but it would take so long that they would have no use for a stomach when they got through. The sensible way out of the difficulty is to let the stomach rest if it wants to and employ a substitute to do its work. Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets will do the work of your stomach for you and digest your food just as your stomach used to when it was well and strong. You can prove this by putting your food in a glass jar with one of the tablets and sufficient water and you will see the food digested in just the same time as the digestive fluids of the stomach would do it. That will satisfy your mind. Now, to satisfy both your mind and body, take one of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets after eating. They will carry the food down the stomach and will give you the satisfaction of feeling in your mind that your food is being digested because you will feel no discomfort or weight in your stomach. In fact, you will forget all about having a stomach just as you did when you were a healthy baby.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets act in a natural way because they contain only the natural elements of the gastric juices and other digestive fluids of the stomach. It makes no difference what condition the stomach is in, they go right ahead of their own accord, carry them, and the best doctors are prescribing them. You need not fear that you will ever be unable to get them, because of the fact that they have done mankind and the suffering they have relieved and the happiness they have brought to the millions of people and the popularity of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets from generation to generation will endure.

AN OLD, OLD FABLE Aesop, Twenty-five Hundred Years Ago, Recognized the Importance of the Stomach.

"The members of the body once rebelled against the belly which they called an idle, lazy life at their expense. The hands declared that they would not again lift a crust even to keep him from starving; the mouth, that it would not take in a bit more of food; the legs, that they would carry him about no longer, and so on with the others. The belly quickly allied them to follow their own course, well knowing that they would all soon come to their own senses, as, indeed, they did, when, for want of food, and nourishment supplied from the stomach, they were all reduced to a mere skin and bone."—Aesop's Fables.

The above fable was written 2500 years before Christ, and it is still true. The importance of the stomach and its functions were recognized even in that remote age. It is the same today. The moment the stomach, for any reason, ceases to perform its work the rest of the body and mind suffer. The consequences. The stomach then must be appeased or released of its burdens. On the other hand, if it is not right, it is all right, they are all right. Why are growing boys nearly always healthy? Because they have not abused their stomachs. Why are old men nearly always weak and debilitated or destroyed the functions of that organ? Because they eat what Nature does not intend them to eat, and then take plenty of exercise and run and romp and help out in the process of digestion. The stomach is a delicate and well. The same is true of men who lead active outdoor lives and engage in physical training. The food which they eat, the food the nature is properly assimilated, the blood is pure and healthy, and the rest of the body is not affected with headache, backache, kidney trouble, liver trouble, constipation or any other of the common ills that always afflict those with bad stomachs.

If there is anything wrong with you, but you cannot find the right doctor, do not right, get it right and do it in the right way—that is the natural way. Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are a natural remedy for all stomach disorders and weakness. They possess exactly the same properties that the stomach itself has, and they actually do the digestive work of the stomach. They restore the organ to rest and recuperate and become sound and well. They act in a mild, natural manner and cause no disturbance to the digestive organs. They prevent any fermentation of the food which causes sour stomach.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets infuse health into every part of the human body. They compel perfect digestion of the food and perfect assimilation of the nutriment. Every organ and part of the body is kept in repair and good health necessarily results. At the same time the stomach, being relieved by the work of digestion, gets well and strong.

A prominent Detroit physician says: "I prescribe Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets for all cases of stomach trouble. I have tried many other prescriptions, including a number of the best, but nothing that gives such universal relief as this remedy. They are natural, harmless and thoroughly effective. I have used them for many years, and I do not hesitate to prescribe and recommend Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets on all occasions."

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are for sale by all druggists at 25 cents a box, and they are the one article that the druggist does not try to sell something in the place of. They are just as they are. They are of the highest quality and the best of their kind, and the universal demand for them has placed them within the reach of everyone.

well and strong in a natural way. The perfect dyspepsia cure, therefore, is one that will digest the food and permit Nature to restore the stomach.

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do just this thing. No matter how much you eat or what the condition of your stomach is, your food is properly and perfectly digested and your stomach regains its strength and gets sound and well.

All druggists, 50c. a box.

B. S. MCGUIRE'S ARGUMENT

Hearings Before Territory Committee Have Ended.

EXHAUSTIVE TREATMENT

Oklahoma Delegate Covers the Situation Fully.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 22.—The hearings before the House Committee on Territories for the admission of Oklahoma to the Union have been concluded. Delegate B. S. McGuire made the closing argument. It was not an oratorical effort, but a strong statement of the reasons why Oklahoma is entitled to be admitted as a state now. It was an argument such as an able and careful lawyer is capable of making and created a favorable impression with every member of the committee. Delegate McGuire indicated that he is thoroughly posted on conditions in Oklahoma and knows what the situation is in the Indian Territory.

He has made a nothing fight for separate statehood for the territory. He has labored with persons who have things to say about legislation in congress. If there has been anything neglected, it has not been the case of Oklahoma.

Delegate McGuire confined himself largely to statistics in making his closing argument before the committee. A synopsis of his remarks, giving the statistics used, is presented as follows:

The present area of Oklahoma is 28,329 square miles; larger than Indiana or Maine, and about the size of a little less than New Hampshire. Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New Jersey and Delaware combined; larger than West Virginia or South Carolina, and larger than Maryland and Vermont together. Oklahoma has a population of not less than 650,000. Her wealth is between \$100,000,000 and \$500,000,000. She has seven educational institutions of higher learning under control of the territory. She has more than 50,000 children of school age, and 3,000 young men and women in the institutions of higher learning. There are in the territory at this time about 1,000 churches, valued at \$100,000,000; 2,000 Sunday schools with 12,000 officers and teachers and 300,000 pupils. We have 3 daily newspapers, 26 weekly newspapers, besides many quarterly, monthly and semi-weekly publications. We have 2,300 district school houses, worth one million and a half dollars. The total amount of land reserved for the common schools, universities and public buildings for the future state of Oklahoma is two million fifty-two thousand acres, a large part of which is leased to the federal government. There is an income to the educational interests of the territory of one thousand dollars per day. Within the next year and before Oklahoma can be admitted as a state this sum will be increased to a half million dollars per annum. Every city and town has its women's clubs and musical, social, literary and chautauque societies. It is the meeting ground of many progressive and intelligent people from every state in the Union. It is there that the civilization of the north and the south, the east and the west are blending and uniting to form the most progressive and enterprising people on earth. We are fast becoming an ideal commonwealth. Our climate conditions are superb, and we are one of the most beautiful countries in the world. The average annual temperature for the last ten years ranges from 54.2 degrees in the north to 62 degrees in the south. We escape the rigors of the northern winters, and the extreme sultriness and heat of the southern states. Not only is our climate unsurpassed for healthfulness, but we have a soil which produces more abundantly than is found in the lands of North Carolina and Tennessee, and yet the maximum temperature is seldom greater than that in Nebraska, Iowa and the Dakotas, due presumably to our latitude. Oklahoma produces almost every article raised by the people of every other state in the Union. Of the three great staples, cotton, wheat and corn, we are unequalled both in quantity and quality in proportion to the number of acres planted. We are developing into one of the richest oil fields in the world and recently large quantities of coal has been discovered in the eastern portion of the territory. We produced last year, or during the year 1902, 36,000,000 bushels of wheat, 6,000,000 bushels of corn, 10,000,000 bushels of oats, 5,000,000 bushels of rye, 1,000,000 bushels of sorghum, 1,000,000 bushels of cotton, 1,000,000 bushels of flax, 1,000,000 bushels of alfalfa, 1,000,000 bushels of clover, 1,000,000 bushels of timothy, 1,000,000 bushels of hay, 1,000,000 bushels of straw, 1,000,000 bushels of grain, 1,000,000 bushels of fruit, 1,000,000 bushels of vegetables, 1,000,000 bushels of stock, 1,000,000 bushels of poultry, 1,000,000 bushels of dairy products, 1,000,000 bushels of minerals, 1,000,000 bushels of other products.

Manufacturing is among the various industries which engage our population, and has made great advancement in the past few years. While not so fortunate as other localities in our supply of cheap labor and water power, yet those who have been the pioneers in establishing these enterprises have prospered. With several new lines of railroad coming directly through the coal fields a little east and the discovery of oil and gas within our own territory, as well as the Indian Territory, the prospect is much brighter for cheaper fuel and the consequent success of other institutions now in contemplation.

The raw material is at hand on every side, and the increasing number of flour mills, cottonseed oil mills, plaster and cement mills, broom factories, shoe fac-

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WAS ACCIDENTALLY KILLED.

Lad Out Hunting Is Hit by Shot From His Comrade's Gun.

Jefferson, O. T., Feb. 22.—Whitely Wood, manse, about 17 years of age, was accidentally killed while out hunting last Saturday evening, by the discharge of a shotgun in the hands of a companion, Tom Luttrell. The boy lived about four hours after the accident occurred and exonerated his companion from all blame. The Luttrell boy is almost prostrated with grief as the boys were home. The accident occurred near the boys' home, sixteen miles west of here.

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SHAWNEE WATER BONDS.

Auditor to Approve and Register the Securities.

Guthrie, O. T., Feb. 22.—Bonds to the amount of \$125,000 issued by the city of Shawnee have been received here by the Territorial Auditor for his approval and signature.

These bonds were issued by the city of Shawnee for the purpose of providing water works for the city. There are 125 of the bonds each for \$1,000.

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CASTORIA.

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Signature of J. C. Watson.

Lawton, O. T., Feb. 22.—The Democratic county central committee of Comanche county has decided to hold its convention April 4 to select the candidates for the November election. The township primaries will be held on this date. The convention will be held April 2.

ATTEMPT WAS FOILED.

Helena, Mont., Feb. 22.—A special to the Record from Billie, says that an attempt was made last night to hold up the Northern Pacific train number 1, the 10th east limited, west-bound, between Fargo and Valley City, N. D. A rail was removed by the would-be robbers, but it was discovered and the attempt failed.

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